


# PUTTEE

**pu'trescent**, a. Going bad. 'putrid, a. Having gone bad; bad-smelling; [Hum.] very poor, disgusting, bad. ('pju:trifai).  
**puttee**, n. Long band of cloth twisted round leg as cover. ('pati).  
**putty**, i. n. Soft paste of white powder mixed with oil, used for getting glass fixed in windows etc. 2. v.t. Get fixed with p., put p. in. ('pati).  
**'puzzle**, i. n. Question to which it is hard to get an answer; plaything designed for testing powers of mind or hand. 2. v.t. & i. Put (person) at a loss, in doubt; be working one's brain hard *over, about*, to get worked out. *P. out*, get worked out by hard thought. ('pazl).  
**'pygmy**, n., a. Very small sort of person of parts of Africa; very small person, animal, plant. ('pigmi).  
**py'jamas**, n. pl. Sleeping-dress of loose coat and trousers. (pə'dʒa:məz).  
**'pylon**, n. Tall upright structure, sp. as support for electric wires. ('pailən).  
**pyor'rhoea**, n. Disease of gums in which teeth become loose. (paɪə'riə).  
**'pyramid**, n. Solid form with 3-sided or square base and sloping sides meeting at a point; stone etc. p.  
  
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 put up in early times in memory of dead, sp. in Egypt; mass of things in p. form. ('pyramid).  
**pyre**, n. Great mass of wood etc. for burning dead body on. (paɪə).  
**py'rites**, n. Substance formed of iron chemically united with SULPHUR, gold in colour. (paɪ'reɪtɪz).  
**pyro'technic**, a. Of, like, fireworks. -s, n. Art of making, using, fireworks; public letting off of fireworks. (paɪrou'teknik).  
**'python**, n. Great snake crushing animals to death by twisting itself round them. ('paɪθən).  
**pyx**, n. Vessel in which bread used at communion is kept. (piks).

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**qua**, conj. Being, looked on as. (kwei).  
**quack**, n. One acting as medical man without having had regular training, sp., one tricking the public. (kwak).  
**quack**, v.i., n. (Make) cry of duck.  
**qua'drangle**, n. 4-sided, gen. right-angled, form; open space in form of q. in middle of college buildings etc. (freq. *quad*). **qua'drangular**, a. In form of a quadrangle. (kwə'drangl).  
**'quadrant**, n.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of circle or of its edge;

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instrument for measuring angles. ('kwɒdrant).  
**qua'dratic**, a. Only *q. equation*, [Math.] one in which the second, but no higher, power of the sign whose value is to be worked out is used. (kwə'dratik).  
**qua'drennial**, a. Taking place once in 4 years. (kwə'drenjəl).  
**quadri'lateral**, a., n. 4-sided (form or space). (kwɒdri'lateral).  
**qua'drille**, n. (Music for) square dance for 8 persons. (kwə'dril).  
**qua'drillion**, n. [Brit.]  $10^{24}$ ; [Am.]  $10^{15}$ . (kwə'drɪljən).  
**qua'droon**, n. One who is a quarter NEGRO. (kwə'dru:n).  
**'quadruped**, n. Any 4-legged animal. ('kwɒdrupəd).  
**'quadruple**, i. a. Having 4 parts; (of agreement etc.) in which 4 persons etc. take part; 4 times greater than. 2. v.t. & i. Make, become, 4 times greater. **'quad(ruplet)**, n. One of 4 babies at a birth.  
**qua'druplicate**, i. a. Of which there are 4 copies, examples, of. 3. n. Only *in q.*, quadruplicated. ('kwɒdrupl).  
**quaff**, [Let.] v.t. & i. Take a long, deep drink of, from. (kwɒf).  
**'quagmire**, n. Bog. ('kwagmaɪə).  
**quail**, v.i. Give signs of, be feeling, tear (*at, before*). (kweɪl).  
**quail**, n. Small bird valued as food.  
**quaint**, a. Pleasingly strange, uncommon, old-time. (kweɪnt).  
**quake**, v.i. (Of earth) be shaking, moving; (of person) be shaking *with* fear or cold. (kweɪk).  
**'Quaker**, n. One of a group of Christians using no regular forms of religion, the Society of Friends. ('kweɪkə).  
**'qualify**, v.t. & i. Put limits on (statement), make less strong or general; make (feeling etc.) less strong; give an account of (as of certain sort); [Lang.] (of a.) be naming quality of (n. etc.); get oneself trained, get through test, *for*. **qualif'cation**, n. Sp., training etc. qualifying person for something; qualifying statement, fact. ('kwɒlɪfai).  
**'quality**, n. (High) degree in which a thing is good; any of the points about a thing which make it what it is, sp., any power of mind or body. *The q.*, [Old, Com.] persons in high society. **qualitative**, a. To do with, dependent on, quality. ('kwɒlɪtɪ).  
**qualm**, n. Sudden ill feeling in stomach; sudden doubt, fear, feeling that one has done wrong. (kwɒlm).  
**'quandary**, n. Condition of doubt; position in which, question about which, decision is hard. ('kwɒndəri).  
**'quantity**, n. That property of things

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which may be measured, the having of size, weight, amount, number; a certain or great amount; how long or short a VOWEL sound is; [Math.] number, sign for some *q. Unknown q.*, sp., person of whose probable acts etc. one is uncertain. **'quantitative**, a. Of quantity, (able to be) measured. ('kwɒntɪtɪ).  
**'quantum** (quanta), n. Desired, needed, given, amount. *Q. theory*, [Sc.] theory that any one sort of ENERGY is transported from one body to another in certain fixed amounts. ('kwɒntəm).  
**'quarantine**, n. Condition of being kept away, shut off, from others, for fear of giving them disease. ('kwɒrəntɪn).  
**'quarrel**, i. v.i. Have violent argument, angry words, put an end to good relations. 2. n. A quarrelling; cause for protest, being angry. **'some**, a. Given to quarrelling. ('kwɒrəl).  
**'quarry**, i. n. Place from which stone is got from earth for building etc. 2. v.t. & i. Get (stone) from *q.* ('kwɒri).  
**'quarry**, n. Animal which is gone after, for the purpose of putting it to death; person, thing, gone after, looked for.  
**quart**, n. Unit of measure, 2 pints. (kwɒ:t).  
**'quarter**, i. n.  $\frac{1}{4}$  part, one of 4 equal or like parts; one leg of sheep etc. with part of body round it, sp., as meat (gen. *fore-q., hind-q.*);  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a year, ending on *q.-day*;  $\frac{1}{4}$  of time taken by moon's changes; unit of grain measure, 8 bushels; unit of weight, 28 pounds; U.S. or Canadian (bit of silver money equal to) 25 cents; direction, place, sp., part of town in which special sort of persons are living etc.; the letting off from death of those overcome in fight. *Qq.*, sp., HAUNCHES of horse; living-place, sp., for military; *a q. to (past) 12 etc.*, 15 minutes before (after) 12 etc.; *at close qq.*, very near, with little space between. 2. v.t. Make division of into *qq.*; get living-place for (sp. military). **'q.-day**, n. Fixed day on which payment has to be made for debts of  $\frac{1}{4}$  year before. **'deck**, n. Part of higher DECK at back of ship for use of men in authority. **'ings**, n. pl. Different COATS OF ARMS put together on SHIELD as record of families which have been married into. **'ly**, i. a., adv. (Taking place) every  $\frac{1}{4}$  year. 2. n. Paper etc. coming out every quarter. **'master**, n. [Mil.] Authority responsible for quartering of forces, distribution of clothing, stores etc.; sailor guiding ship, responsible for storing of goods, etc. **'n** ('loaf), n. Cake of bread 4 pounds in weight. **'staff**, [Hist.] n. Long straight stick used with 2 hands in fighting done for sport. ('kwɒ:stɒ).  
**quar'tet(te)**, n. Group of 4; (bit of music for) 4 players. (kwɒ:tet).

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**'quarto**, n. (Book of) size made by folding paper of certain measure into 4 leaves. ('kwɒ:tou).  
**quartz**, n. Sorts of hard stone, freq. with gold in. (kwɒ:ts).  
**quash**, v.t. Make (order etc.) of no effect as not being in agreement with rules, sp. by law decision. (kwɒʃ).  
**'quasi-**, Seeming(ly), not truly, almost (*q.-freedom*). ('kweisai-).  
**'quassia**, n. (Bitter liquid used medically and produced from) skin, root, or wood of a S. Am. tree. ('kwɒʃə).  
**qua'ternary**, [Sc.] a., n. (To do with) present stage of earth's history. (kwɒ:tənəri).  
**'quatrain**, n. Verse of 4 lines. ('kwɒtreɪn).  
**'quaver**, i. v.i. & t. (Of voice, sound) be shaking; say in shaking voice. 2. n. A quavering; [Mus.] note one-eighth as long as SEMIBREVE. ('kweɪvə).  
**quay**, n. Landing-stage. (ki:).  
**quean**, [Old] n. Girl or woman who is over-forward in behaviour. (kwi:n).  
**'queasy**, a. (Of person) over-delicate in taste, feelings; (of stomach etc.) feeling, readily getting, out of order; (of food) making stomach *q.* ('kwi:zi).  
**queen**, n. Woman married to KING; female ruler; woman greatly loved, or looked up to as if a *q.*; playing-card with picture of *q.*; sort of CHESSMAN; egg-producing female bee. *Q. Mother*, mother of ruling KING or *q.* (kwi:n).  
**queer**, i. a. Strange, not normal; such as to make one have doubts about it being straightforward, what it seems; not well, feeling ill, sp. as if about to become unconscious. *In q. street*, [Com.] in debt or trouble. 2. v.t. Put out of order, make go wrong. *Q. the pitch for (person)*, do damage to his chances of doing, getting, something. (kwɪə).  
**quell**, v.t. Put down, overcome, (sp. attempt at overturning authority). (kwel).  
**quench**, v.t. [Let.] Put out (fire etc.); put an end to (desire, sp. for water, feeling etc.). **'less**, a. Unable to be quenched. (kwenf).  
**'querulous**, a. Bad-humoured, full of protests, never pleased. ('kweruləs).  
**'query**, i. n. Question to be answered; the mark "?", sp. put against statement etc. as sign of doubt. 2. v.t. Put a question (*if*); be questioning, doubting, (statement etc.). ('kwiəri).  
**quest**, i. n. Attempt to get, a looking for, something; what is being looked for. *In q. of*, looking for. 2. v.t. & i. (Sp., of dogs going after animals) be looking for. (kwest).  
**'question**, i. n. Words requesting knowledge of some sort in form which is not an order; (putting forward of) doubt

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about thing's being true, wise, right; something about which qq. are put, about which there is discussion, need for decision. *Call in q.*, put forward doubts about; *in q.*, being talked about, given attention; *it is only a q. of time*, it will certainly come, but when is uncertain; *out of the q.*, not possible; 2. v.t. Put qq. to; have doubts about. *-able*, a. Which may be doubted, not certainly right, wise etc. *'q-mark*, n. Sign "?" put after question, *-naire* (kwes'tʃə-neə), n. List of questions about something to be answered by number of persons. (kwes'tʃən).

**queue**, 1. n. Line of persons, automobiles etc. waiting for their turn; *PLAIT* of hair hanging down back. 2. v.i. Get into, be in, q. (freq. *q. up*). (kju:).

*'quibble*, v.i., n. (Make) use of word of uncertain sense etc. to get out of giving straightforward answer. ('kwibl).

**quick**, 1. a. (With power of) moving or doing, being done, at a great rate, in a very short time; [Old] living; ready in mind, bright. 2. n. Part of body under nails or skin readily feeling pain. *Cut (person) to the q.*, make his feelings deeply wounded. 3. adv. At a great rate. *-en*, v.t. & i. Make (motion etc.), become, quicker; make, become, living; make (interest etc.) stronger. *-lime*, n. See *LIME*. *-ly*, adv. Quick. *-sand*, n. (Bed of) loose wet sand pulling down into it anything which goes on it. *-set*, a. (Of *HEDGE*) formed of living plants. *-silver*, n. *MERCURY*. (kwik).

**quid**, n. Bit of tobacco for biting, rolling in mouth. (kwid).

**quid**, [Com.] n. £1.

**quid pro quo**, Thing given in exchange for something given. ('kwid prou 'kwou).

**quiescent**, a. Not moving or acting, at rest. (kwai'esnt).

**quiet**, 1. a. Without or with little sound, motion; free from trouble, at rest; not rough or violent; (of colour) not bright. 2. n. Condition of being q. in first 3 senses. 3. v.t. & i. Make q. *Q. down*, become q. *-ism*, n. The giving up of all desire, being ready to take what comes, as form of religion. *-ude*, n. Quiet.

**qui etus** (kwai'itus), n. Death, being put an end to. ('kwaiat).

**quill**, n. (Stem of) wing or tail *QUILLS ON PORCUPINE* feather; pen made of q.; sharp, needle-like point on *PORCUPINE*. (kwil).

**quilt**, 1. v.t. Make (clothing, cover etc.) by putting lines of stitching across 2 bits of



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material with feathers etc. between; do such stitching on. 2. n. Bed-cover, sp. of quilted material. (kwilt).

**quince**, n. (Tree having) acid fruit of *PEAR*-like form. (kwins).

**quinine**, n. Bitter liquid got from skin of Peruvian tree and used medically. (kwi'nim).

**quinqu(e)-**, 5. **quin'quennial** (kwinq-'kwenjəl), a. Taking place every 5 years. ('kwinqw(i)-).

**'quinsy**, n. Disease marked by *INFLAMMATION* of throat. ('kwintzi).

**'quintal**, n. Unit of weight, 100 or 112 pounds. ('kwintl).

**quin'tessence**, n. Best, most complete form or example (of quality etc.); strong *ESSENCE*. (kwint'sens).

**quin'tet(te)**, n. Group of 5; (bit of music for) 5 players. (kwint'tet).

**quin'(tuplet)**, n. One of 5 babies at a birth. (kwint'tju:plət).

**quip**, n. Pointed saying, bit of humour. (kwip).

**'quire**, n. 24 leaves of writing-paper. ('kwaia).

**quirk**, n. *QUIP*; strange little way of behaviour; ornamenting twist, curve, in handwriting. (kwə:k).

**quit**, 1. v.t. & i. Go away from; give up; give up (doing). *Q. oneself well etc.*, *ACQUIT* oneself. 2. a. Only q. of, free from, no longer responsible for. *-s*, a. Equal with another, through making payment of debt, giving punishment, etc. (kwit).

**quite**, adv. Completely, in every detail, to the fullest degree; in some degree, somewhat. *Q. so*, that is true, I am in agreement with you. (kwai).

**'quiver**, 1. v.i. Be shaking quickly but not violently. 2. n. Quivering motion or sound. ('kwivə).

**'quiver**, n. Archer's bag for *ARROWS*.

**'qui vive**, [F.] Only on the q., ready, watching. ('ki: 'vi:v).

**quix'otic**, a. High-minded, kind, true, to a foolish degree. (kwik'sotik).

**quiz**, v.t. Make sport of, be laughing at; be looking at with attention, interest.

**'zical**, a. Quizzing with kind humour; strange, causing amusement. (kwiz).

**quod**, [Com.] n. Prison. (kwod).

**quoit**, n. Iron etc. ring for sending at mark etc. in sport. *Qq.*, sp., sport played with qq. (koi:t).

**'quondam**, a. Which or who was at one time. ('kwɒndəm).

**'quorum**, n. Number of persons which has to be present for meeting of committee etc. to take place. ('kwɒrəm).

**'quota**, n. That part of full amount which is to be given to or taken by any one of group making agreement, sp. the amount of goods which may be sent to one country by another. ('kwoutə).

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**quote**, v.t. & i. Say, put in writing, (words, writing, of another); q. words *from* (person, book); give (fact etc.) as supporting statement; be naming (as) price of (gen. *q. at*). **quo'tation**, n. Sp., words or price quoted. *Q. marks*, the marks used in writing or print before and after words quoted (' or " "). (kwout).

**quoth**, [Old] v.t. Said. (kwouθ).

**quo'tidian** 1. a. (Of diseases) taking place, coming back, every day. 2. n. *Q. FEVER*. (kwɒ'tidjən).

**'quotient**, [Math.] n. Amount got by division of one number by another. ('kwoufənt).

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**'rabbet**, 1. n. Step-like cut in edge of bit of wood etc. for making join with another bit. 2. v.t. Make r. in. ('rabit).

**'rabbi**, n. Teacher of the Jewish law, Jewish *PRIEST*. ('rabai).

**'rabbit**, n. Long-eared field-animal living in hole in earth. ('rabit).

**'rabble**, n. Mass of rough, low persons without order or organization. ('rabl).

**Rab'e'laisian**, a. As of Rabelais, full of humour of shocking sort. (raba'leizian).

**'rabid**, a. Violently angry; unreasoning, uncontrolled; (of dog) having rabies.

**'rabies** ('reibiz), n. Disease of dogs making them go off their heads. ('rabid).

**race**, 1. n. Competition in running, doing something quickly; strong current in sea, river. 2. v.t. & i. Have r. *with*; make (horse etc.) take part in r.; (make) go very quickly. *'r.-course*, n. Place for horse-races. *'-horse*, n. One of sort kept for racing. (reis).

**race**, n. Group of persons (looked on as) having common family tree at some point; those coming later in the family line of; any great division of living things (the feathered r. etc.). *'racy*, a. (Of talk etc.) marked by natural force, colour.

**'raceme**, [Sc.] n. Flower-head formed of separate small flowers equally spaced on stem. ('rasi:m).

**rack**, 1. n. Sorts of wood or metal framework for keeping things on or in; toothed rod or rail for toothed wheel to make connection with in turning, as part of machine; [Hist.] apparatus for giving person pain by stretching him. 2. v.t. Get stretched on r.; give great pain to.



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*R. one's brains* (for answer, etc.), be using one's brains hard (to get answer, etc.). *'r.-rent*, n. Cruelly high RENT. (rak).

**rack**, n. Clouds moving before wind; destruction (gen. *r. and ruin*).

**'racket**, 1. n. Great noise; time full of doings, moving about; [Am.] form of business which is not straightforward, in which money is made by tricks. *Stand the r.*, come through test; put up with effects of act. 2. v.i. Go from one pleasure to another, be moving *about* all the time. *-eer*, [Am.] n. One taking part in (violent) business rackets. ('rakit).

**'racket**, n. *RACQUET*.

**racon'teur**, [F.] n. One (good at) giving ANECDOTES. (rakən'tə:).

**ra'c(c)oon**, n. Small Am. animal with thick hair on tail. (rə'kum).

**'racquet**, n. Instrument used in *TENNIS* and other sports for giving blows to ball. *Rr.*, form of sport in which ball is sent with rr. against 4 walls. ('rakit).

**'raddle**, 1. n. A red colouring material. 2. v.t. Put r. on (sp. sheep). ('radl).

**'radial**, a. Of, in, having, rays; of a *RADIUS*, having or acting down lines going out from middle point; of *RADIUM*. ('reidiəl).

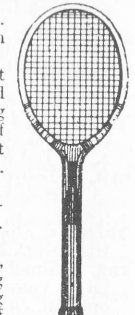
**'radiate**, v.t. & i. Give out rays (of light, heat); go out in rays; come *out* as rays in all directions from middle point.

**'radiant**, a. Radiating; (of looks, face etc.) very bright, happy. **'radiator**, n. Sp., apparatus for warming room by radiating heat from pipes etc.; apparatus for keeping automobile engine from getting overheated. ('reidiət).

**'radical**, 1. a. Of, from, going to, being, the root or base; (sp. politically) desiring changes which go to the root of the system, of the *LIBERAL* group desiring most change; [Lang.] (of word etc.) which is a root, from which others are formed. *R. sign*, [Math.] sign  $\sqrt{\quad}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}$  etc. as sign of square or other root of number coming after it. 2. n. One with r. political views; r. word or part of word; r. sign; number forming, given as, the root of another. ('radikl).

**'radicle**, n. Small root; part of seed which becomes the root. ('radikl).

**'radio**, 1. n. Apparatus for, system of, sending out sounds, pictures, through space by electric waves; apparatus for hearing sounds sent by r. 2. v.t. Send by r.; [Med.] make use of X-rays or *RADIUM* on. *'-gram*, n. Telegram sent by radio; radio and phonograph in one. ('reidiu).



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